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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application Of:

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Eugene T. Michal

Art Unit: 1762

Serial No: 09/918,365

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**DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.131**

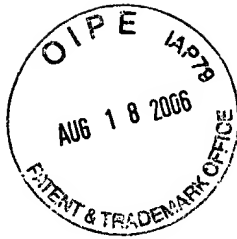
I, Eugene T. Michal, declare as follows:

1. The application identified above was filed on July 30, 2001.
2. I conceived of or invented the subject matter of claims 1-12, 15-17, and 34 in the application identified above.
3. I conceived of or invented the subject matter as defined in claims 1-9 and 14 of U.S. Patent No. 6,221,425 in the United States prior to September 10, 1999. See Appendix A.
4. I further declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made upon information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States

Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Executed at San Francisco, California on this 16 day of August, 2006.

By: Eugene T. Michal  
Eugene T. Michal



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APPENDIX A